

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

SPECIAL SUSTAINABILITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING

Finished Action

DATE: March 16, 2011
TIME: 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
PLACE: City Hall, Room 15

X Helene Schneider, Mayor
X Bendy White, Chair
X Michael Self,
Councilmember

Office of the City
Administrator

Office of the City Attorney

X Nina Johnson
Assistant to the City Administrator

X Stephen Wiley
City Attorney

X Bob Samario, Finance Director
X Kristy Schmidt, Employee Relations Manager
X Matt Fore, Environmental Services Manager
X Jim Dewey, Facilities and Energy Manager
X Lori Pedersen, Administrative Analyst

AGENDA

1. **Public Comment – None.**

2. **Solid Waste Fund Budget**

ACTION: Review Solid Waste Fund revenues and anticipated impacts to program operations.

The Committee received an update on the Solid Waste Fund from Mr. Samario.

3. **Haul Contract for Zone 1 (West of State Street)**

ACTION: Continue a discussion regarding the solicitation of proposals for a solid waste franchise contract for Zone 1.

Ms. Schmidt gave a brief summary of the background on this Zone 1 contract. The revised procurement services contract with HF&A will go to Council next week. Mr. Wiley provided background information on the City's Charter Article XIV – Franchises. Section 14.01 establishes the public process for the establishment a franchise. Staff will bring the draft request for proposal to the Committee for review of the criteria included in the Zone 1 contract.

4. **Southern California Edison Smart Connect Program**

ACTION: Receive an update on Southern California Edison plans to install “smart meters” for residential and small business customers.

The Committee received information on the Southern California Edison SmartConnect program. SCE Staff explained that the program involves the replacement of 5 million electricity meters with “smart meters” for residential and commercial customers. The replacement of these meters has been mandated by the California Public Utilities Commission as well as Federal mandates.

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Installation of the new meters is scheduled to begin in February 2012. Advanced outreach will be done 90, 60 and 30 days before installation begins.

SCE staff presented information regarding the radio frequency amounts emitted by the meters when actively transmitting data as well as the security of data that is transmitted.

Two members of the public expressed concerns over installation of the meters.